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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Kenji NISHI

Appln No.: 08/994,758

Filed: December 19, 1997

For: PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS

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OFFER TO SURRENDER, ASSENT OF
ASSIGNEE AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Nikon Corporation, a corporation duly organized under the laws of Japan and having a place of business at Tokyo, Japan, is owner, by assignment, of the entire title to United States Letters Patent No. 5,477,304 granted on December 19, 1995, for PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS.

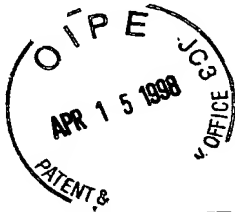
Nikon Corporation hereby offers to surrender said Letters Patent and assents to the reissue of said Letters Patent.

Nikon Corporation hereby appoints Nelson H. Shapiro, Registration No. 17,095, Mitchell W. Shapiro, Registration No. 31,568, and James T. Wilson, Registration No. 41,439, of the firm of Shapiro and Shapiro, its attorney(s) and/or

agent(s) with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, all correspondence to be addressed to Shapiro and Shapiro, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1701, Arlington, Virginia 22209.

NIKON CORPORATION

By: Tadao Tsuruta
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Title: Executive Vice President
Date: March 26, 1998



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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Nikon Corporation, a corporation duly organized under the laws of Japan, certifies that it is the Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the above-identified patent application by virtue of an Assignment from the inventor of said patent application, said Assignment having been recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 6745, Frame 0105.

The undersigned has reviewed said Assignment and, to the best of his knowledge and belief, title is in said Assignee.

The undersigned is empowered to sign this Statement on behalf of said Assignee.

April 15, 1998

By:

Mitchell W. Shapiro

Reg. No. 31,568

Attorney for Assignee